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12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
13 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
14 SAN JOSE DIVISION

15 HAIDER A. SALMAN, ) No. C 08-0333 PVT  
16 Plaintiff, )  
17 v. )  
18 PETER KEISLER, Assistant Attorney General ) JOINT REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT FROM  
of the United States; et al., ) FORMAL ADR PROCESS  
19 Defendants. )  
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21 Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled "Dispute  
22 Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions of the ADR  
Unit's Internet site <[www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov](http://www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov)>, discussed the available dispute resolution options  
provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might benefit from any of  
them.

23 Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be beneficial because this  
24 mandamus action is limited to Plaintiff's request that this Court adjudicate the application for  
25 naturalization. Given the substance of the action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR  
26 will only serve to multiply the proceedings and unnecessarily tax court resources. Accordingly,  
27 pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the parties request the case be removed from the ADR Multi-Option  
28 Program and that they be excused from participating in the ADR phone conference and any further

1 formal ADR process.

2 Dated: April 15, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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8 Dated: April 15, 2008

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## ORDER

12 Pursuant to stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED.

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14 Date: April 16, 2008

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PATRICIA V. TRUMBULL  
16 United States Magistrate Judge

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28 <sup>1</sup>I, Melanie L. Proctor, hereby attest that I have on file all holograph signatures for any  
signatures indicated by a "conformed" signature (/S/) within this efiled document.